

APPENDIX A
(Clean Copy Of Amended and New Claims)

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G1 1. (Six Times Amended) A method for producing an intaglio printing plate having a flat top surface with at least one depression in the form of a line brought into the surface of the intaglio printing plate and arranged to be filled with printing ink during intaglio printing, comprising the steps of defining a limited partial area of the surface, an edge of the limited partial area defining a desired contour; calculating track data with aid of a computer program for controlling movement of an engraving tool along a tool track to be followed by the engraving tool within the desired contour based on the desired contour and a predetermined desired depth of the at least one depression; and controlling the movement of the engraving tool along said tool track according to said track data such that a material of said partial area is removed within the desired contour at the predetermined desired depth, said tool track being continuous.

G2 20. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 1, characterized in that said plate is engraved with multiple engraving tools simultaneously.

G3 24. (Five Times Amended) An intaglio printing plate having a surface with at least one engraved depression in the form of a line, said at least one depression being arranged to be filled with printing ink during intaglio printing, said at least one depression having flanks, a bottom, and an engraved defined roughness structure at a bottom of the at least one depression, wherein said defined roughness structure has a predetermined meander-shape or extends at least in partial areas in a predetermined direction parallel to a direction of said at least one line.

G4 28. (Four Times Amended) The embossing or intaglio printing plate of claim 24, characterized in that the at least one depression further comprises micro-engraving that represents information.

G5 43. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the engraving tool is a laser.